(xi) The Government has launched a centrally-sponsored scheme titled "Apparel Park for Export Scheme" for imparting focused thrust for setting up of apparel manufacturing units of international standards at potential growth centres and to give fillip to exports.

(xii) For upgrading infrastructure facilities at important textile centres, a scheme "Textile Centre Infrastructure Development Scheme" (TCIDS) has been launched.

Consignment of cotton through Wagah Border

1696. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistani importers of Indian cotton are keen to get their consignment of cotton through Wagah Border instead of *via* sea shipment; and

(b) India's response in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Government has not received any specific proposal about Pakistani importers of Indian cotton showing their keenness to get their consignment of cotton through Wagah Border instead of the sea route.

(b) Does not arise.

Opening of more showrooms by CCICI

1697. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Cottage Industries Corporation of India propose to open more showrooms both in the country and abroad to increase its turnover;

(b) if so, the details of its expansion plan;

(c) the places where the new emporia are planned both in India and abroad; and

(d) the action plan to boost our export and economy?